



## HOW WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the second half of the autumn term. This half-term is full of exciting events to enhance the learning experience of the children at How Wood and the past two weeks have been as busy as ever. Now that the clocks have gone back, and it has turned much colder, please remember to send your child to school with a coat or warm waterproof jacket for play and lunchtimes.

### **Remembrance**



In the procession

On Sunday, Millie Tustain and Sam Stewart from Year 6 laid a wreath on behalf of How Wood School at the Remembrance Ceremony in Park Street. The children were part of the procession and showed great dignity and respect as they laid our wreath to mark the 100 year anniversary of the ending of the First World War. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Millie and Sam for being such wonderful ambassadors for our school.

Laying the Wreath



### **Anti-bullying Day**

Anti-bullying Day has been another great success and the children really enjoyed designing their 'Super Heroes' for this year's theme 'Choose respect'.

### **Children in Need**

The children looked 'Spotacular' in their outfits and so far we have raised over £500 through the sale on Pudsey merchandise and £1 donations. Thank you for all the wonderful cakes that we will be selling after school, raising even more money for this very worthy cause.

### **Christmas Fayre – Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December**

Reminder – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November- Children can wear non-school uniform in exchange for bringing in a bottle or chocolate (wrapped and no nut based products) for the fayre. Thank you.

## **Online Safety**

The #WakeUpWednesday campaign have created a free 'conversation starter' poster for schools to share with their parents & carers about online safety. The guide includes 7 questions to get 'the conversation' going in relation to your child's internet usage. Engaging in regular, two-way communication with children about online activities is a really important way of building trust and highlighting the dangers they are exposed to every day.

The guide for parents & carers can be found on:

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/natonlinesafety/status/1060140712686161927>

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/NationalOnlineSafety/photos/a.1681508315488685/1914184988887682/?type=3&theatre>

## **Road Safety Officer, Active and Safer Travel Team**

Please find below an important link for the safety of our children when crossing the road.



Active and Safer Travel Team

[https://www.haringey.gov.uk/sites/haringeygovuk/files/how\\_to\\_use\\_a\\_puffin\\_crossing.pdf](https://www.haringey.gov.uk/sites/haringeygovuk/files/how_to_use_a_puffin_crossing.pdf)

## **Year 6 Enterprise Project**

Year 6 have indeed been very enterprising and have worked hard on designing their products to sell at the Christmas Fayre, keeping to their budget of £25. Mrs Mather & Mrs Barker (PTA) along with Mrs Van-Cauter, our Vice Chair of Governors, judged the children's products on Monday afternoon in our Dragon's Den. You will be able to see the results of the Enterprise Project at the Christmas Fayre on the 1<sup>st</sup> December.

## **Praise Postcards**



Kian King in Nursery, Bethany Barlow in Year 1, Adyan Chowdhury in Year 3 and Juliette Paice in Year 4 received Praise Postcards this week for excellent learning. Well done!

## **Head Teacher's Award**

Umayyah Ali and Louis Moate in Year 5 and Paige Moody in Year 4 have all received my Head Teacher's Award for producing work of a very high standard and for always trying their best in all that they do. Well done!

## **Inspire Event - THANK YOU!**

Year 6 attended the INSPIRE Event at St Albans Cathedral last Friday morning. The children made poppies and wrote peace reflections that were used during the service. The whole class contributed to this poem which was read beautifully by: Kimiya Azarakhsh, Vanessa Dolinska, Isobel Graman, Pollyanna Graham, Sam Stewart, Tommy Harrison, Octavius Walker-Miller and Bentley Warr.

### **War**

They gave their lives for us  
In trenches they fought (Bella)  
To change our lives today (Jayden)  
Their bravery, kindness  
Should never be forgotten (Isla)  
We are lucky to know the sacrifices made for us (Tiana)  
Lives given for a brighter future (Oliver)  
Fighting for their country and for us (Sophie)  
Giving their lives so we could have peace, children, education (Gracii)  
They thought of us (Isobel)  
Gave their lives so we could have happy lives (Tilly)  
Risking everything for us (Scarlett)  
Lives sacrificed so we could have peace (Kimiya)  
We thank them for their sacrifices (Vanessa)  
Not to be forgotten – we are now free (Oliver)  
They fought for peace (Anais) – we will never forget them (Tasnim)  
They will live on (Sam)

### **And Now There Is Peace**

There is peace when war does not exist (Ethan)  
Being free– feeling good about yourself (Sofia and Isabella)  
Caring for each other and living free (Jack & Rajitha)  
Freedom to have peace (Pollyanna)  
Helping one another creates peace (Georgia)  
Happy, caring souls rejoice – Peace is here (Harry)  
Love and care, happiness and laughter  
Our future, our happiness, our lives (Bentley)  
Peace has finally come to us (Tommy)

By Year 6

I also received the following email from the organisers of the event:

*I just wanted to say a huge thank you and well done to you and to your pupils for joining us at the Inspire event at the Cathedral this morning. The children who sang or shared work and ideas with us were so amazingly confident in such a big space and in front of so many people. The VIP guests who joined us this morning were full of praise for all of the children, not just those who came up on the stage.*

## **How Wood Choir**

On Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November, our choir will be singing at Burston Garden Centre at 10.15am. Please come along to support the children – I am sure we will enjoy their lovely singing.

## **Key dates for the term**

I have included a list of key dates for the term. Further information about the various forthcoming events will be sent out to relevant classes. ***It is important that all parents read newsletters regularly so that they are aware of all events and any changes that may take place.***

### **Autumn Term 2018**

Children back to school – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018

### **Spring Term 2019**

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January – INSET Day

Children back to school – Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Half-term – Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019

Children back to school – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019

### **Summer Term 2019**

Children back to school – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019

May Bank Holiday – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May

Half-term – Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019

Children back to school – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2019

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – INSET

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July – INSET

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July – Occasional Day

**Please keep handy for future reference- additional dates and changes will be shared on future newsletters. Please ensure you read all newsletters carefully. **Newly added dates are in red.****

### **Key Dates for the Autumn Term 2018**

Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> November 10.15am	Choir singing at Burston Garden Centre
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> November 5.15pm	Choir singing at How Wood Shops
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Non- School Uniform Day – PTA Event – donations of beverages and chocolate
Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> December 12pm to 3pm	How Wood Christmas Fayre
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December 10am	Choir singing at St Albans Cathedral Carol Service
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> December 1.30pm	Lego Celebration Assembly – Year 1 parents invited
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	M&M Production present Beauty & the Beast Pantomime
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 9.30am	Foundation Stage Dress Rehearsal
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 6pm	Foundation Stage Evening Production
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 3 trip to St Albans Cathedral

Week beginning Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas class parties – details to follow
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Reading Challenge Celebration Assembly</b>
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 9.30am	Key Stage 1 Dress Rehearsal
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 6pm	Key Stage 1 Evening Production
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas lunch
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Christingle assembly (Y3 parents invited)
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December - <b>Finish at 1.30pm</b>	Last day of term

### **Assemblies**

Parents are invited to their child's class assembly at 9am. Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will not be sharing an assembly as they will be performing an end of year Christmas production.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Class</b>	
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Year 4	Parent Assembly
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 3	Parent Assembly